CCRB INVESTIGATIVE RECOMMENDATION

Investigator:		Team:	CCRB Case #:		Force	✓ Discourt.	П. U.S.
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Conor O'Shea		Squad #5	201907203		Abuse	O.L.	☑ Injury
Incident Date(s)		Location of Incident:		P	recinct:	18 Mo. SOL	EO SOL
Friday, 08/02/2019 9:45 PM, Friday, 08/02/2019 10:26 PM, Saturday, 08/03/2019 12:54 AM		Seaview Avenue & Nugent Avenue; 122nd Precinct stationhouse			122	2/2/2021	9/19/2021
Date/Time CV Reported		CV Reported At:	How CV Reported:		Date/Time	Received at CCI	RB
Fri, 08/02/2019 11:58 PM		IAB	Phone		Wed, 08/1	4/2019 10:51 AN	М
Complainant/Victim	Туре	Home Addre	ess				
Witness(es)		Home Addre	ess				
Subject Officer(s)	Shield	TaxID	Command				
1. POM Yassir Zahroof	24718	962885	122 PCT				
2. POM Michael Lam	25229	963106	122 PCT				
3. SGT Lara Cadogan	01403	951995	122 PCT				
4. POM Richard Velez	22734	953525	SRG 5				
5. An officer			122 PCT				
Witness Officer(s)	Shield N	o Tax No	Cmd Name				
1. POM Christopher Reyes	24403	962334	122 PCT				
2. POM Jadd Zahrieh	29008	965635	122 PCT				
3. POM Aldo Yubini	08600	939729	122 PCT				
4. POF Stephanie Mazza	09173	948049	122 PCT				
5. SGT Anastasiya Paulik	04825	948178	122 PCT				
6. POM Michael Hanna	00618	941879	122 PCT				
7. POM Milton Salazar	27226	942492	062 PCT				
Officer(s)	Allegatio	on			Inve	estigator Recon	nmendation
A.POM Michael Lam	Avenue a	On August 2, 2019, at the and Nugent Avenue in S Lam stopped the vehicle were occupants	taten Island, Police (e in which § 87(2)(b)		cer		
B.POM Yassir Zahroof	Avenue a	On August 2, 2019, at the and Nugent Avenue in S ahroof stopped the vehic were occupants	taten Island, Police (cle in which § 87(2)(b)	Offic			
C.POM Michael Lam	Avenue a	On August 2, 2019, at the and Nugent Avenue in S Lam seized ^{§87(2)(b)}					

Officer(s)	Allegation	Investigator Recommendation
D.POM Yassir Zahroof	Abuse: On August 2, 2019, at the intersection of Seaview Avenue and Nugent Avenue in Staten Island, Police Officer Yassir Zahroof seized \$87(2)(b) s property.	
E.POM Yassir Zahroof	Force: On August 2, 2019, at the 122nd Precinct stationhouse, Police Officer Yassir Zahroof used physical force against § 87(2)(6)	
F.SGT Lara Cadogan	Abuse: On August 2, 2019, at the 122nd Precinct stationhouse, Sergeant Lara Cadogan threatened with the use of force.	
G.POM Michael Lam	Abuse: On August 3, 2019, at the 122nd Precinct stationhouse, Police Officer Michael Lam searched the vehicle in which \$87(2)(b) and \$87(2)(b) were occupants.	
H. An officer	Discourtesy: On August 3, 2019, at the 122nd Precinct stationhouse, an officer acted discourteously toward [5] 87(2)	
§ 87(4-b) § 87(2)(g)		

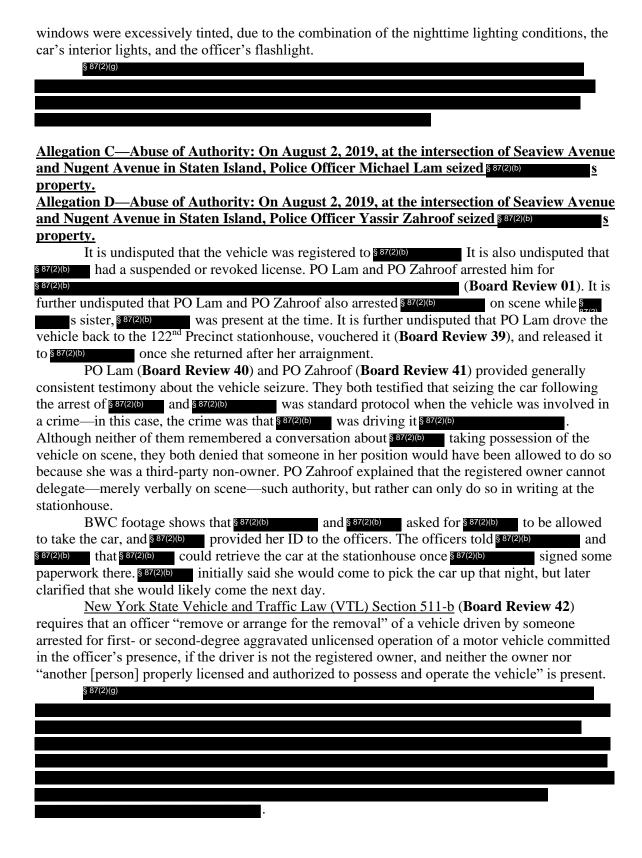
Case Summary

On August 2, 2019, Sergeant Lara Cadogan (McNab) of the 122nd Precinct called the IAB Command Center and filed this complaint on behalf of § 87(2)(b) generating original IAB Log #19-29744. The CCRB received the complaint on August 14, 2019. On August 2, 2019, at approximately 9:45 p.m., § 87(2)(b) s boyfriend, § 87(2)(b) in her car when Police Officer Michael Lam and Police Officer Yassir Zahroof, both of the 122nd Precinct, pulled them over for allegedly excessive window tints at the intersection of Seaview Avenue and Nugent Avenue in Staten Island (Allegations A-B: Abuse of Police Officers Christopher Reyes, Jadd Zahrieh, Richard Velez, Aldo Yubini, and Stephanie Mazza, all assigned to the 122nd Precinct at the time, responded as backup. PO Lam and PO Zahroof arrested \$87(2)(5) the driver, for having a suspended license and violating an order of protection against (Board Review 01) and also arrested for violating an order of protection against §87(2)(b) (Board Review 02). PO Lam and PO Zahroof seized § 87(2)(b) s car (Allegations C–D: Abuse of Authority, §87(2)(9) PO Zahroof transported \$87(2)(b) to the 122nd Precinct stationhouse. PO Zahroof allegedly in the back of the head as he assisted her out of the patrol car (Allegation punched § 87(2)(b) E: Force, § 87(2)(9) Sgt. Cadogan pointed a Taser at \$87(2)(6) while he was lodged inside a holding cell at the stationhouse (Allegation F: Abuse of Authority, § 87(2)(9) August 3, 2019, at approximately 12:54 a.m., in the vicinity of the 122nd Precinct stationhouse, PO Lam searched § 87(2)(b) s vehicle (Allegation G: Abuse of Authority, § 87(2)(9) s car was at the 122nd Precinct stationhouse, an officer allegedly spat phlegm onto it (Allegation H: Discourtesy, § 87(2)(g) § 87(4-b), § 87(2)(g) The investigation obtained BWC footage (Board Review 03–26, summarized at Board Review 27–37). Any relevant stationhouse footage had already expired by the time the investigation successfully contacted § 87(2)(b) and § 87(2)(b) On September 20, 2019, the CCRB referred \$87(2)(b) s allegation that PO Lam planted cocaine in her purse to IAB in a spin-off under CCRB case #887(2)(b) **Findings and Recommendations** Allegation A—Abuse of Authority: On August 2, 2019, at the intersection of Seaview Avenue and Nugent Avenue in Staten Island, Police Officer Michael Lam stopped the vehicle in which § 87(2)(b) and § 87(2)(b) were occupants. Allegation B—Abuse of Authority: On August 2, 2019, at the intersection of Seaview Avenue and Nugent Avenue in Staten Island, Police Officer Yassir Zahroof stopped the vehicle in which § 87(2)(b) and § 87(2)(b) were occupants. It is undisputed that PO Lam and PO Zahroof pulled \$87(2)(b) over while he drove s car with her in the front seat, based solely upon their observation that the vehicle had excessively tinted front windows. ■ (Board Review 38) denied that her car had any tinted windows, and insisted that it had factory-issued windows as of the incident date. initially agreed to drive the vehicle to a field interview so that the investigation could photograph its windows, but he elected to withdraw his complaint before providing a statement. Subsequent attempts to have § 87(2)(b) or § 87(2)(b) provide photographs of the vehicle proved unsuccessful. Although BWC footage from several officers captured them standing around s car at the scene of the traffic stop, the front windows remained completely lowered during that time. Additional BWC footage from PO Lam documented his later search of the vehicle at the stationhouse. However, the additional footage also did not demonstrate whether the

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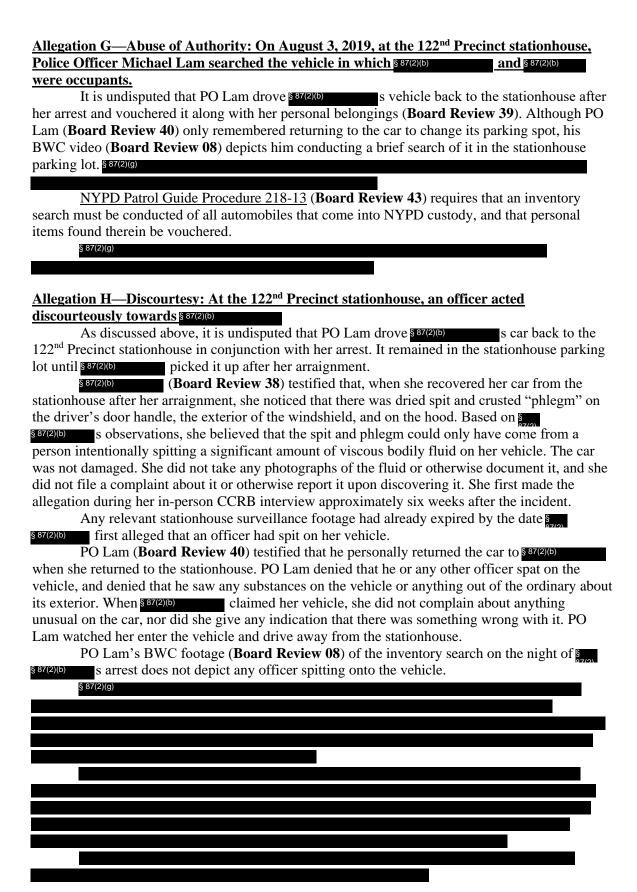


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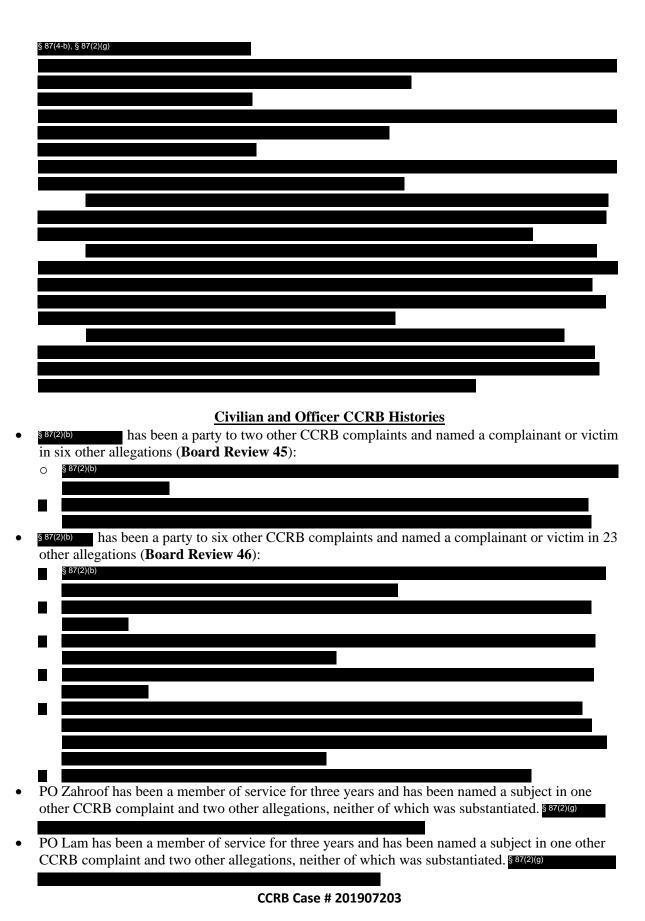
Allegation E—Force: On August 2, 2019, at the 122 nd Precinct stationhouse, Police Officer
Yassir Zahroof used physical force against §87(2)(b)
It is undisputed that PO Zahroof drove \$87(2)(b) back to the stationhouse after her
arrest in his unmarked sedan while PO Mazza sat with her in the back seat. Upon arrival at the
stationhouse, PO Zahroof escorted her inside and began processing her arrest. §87(2)(b) later
went to §87(2)(b) at her own request.
(Board Review 38) recounted that, as she was exiting the back seat of PO
Zahroof's vehicle, she did so backwards with her head facing towards the car's interior. Once
had one foot out of the car and was "halfway" out of it, she felt "something" hit her on
the back of her head. § 87(2)(b) initially said she did not see who or what hit her, and initially
said it "could have been the officer [PO Zahroof] hitting me," or "it could have been I bumped my
head. Who really knows?" However, \$87(2)(b) later clarified that she believed PO Zahroof
had hit her on the head because the impact felt like it came from a knuckle rather than a flat
surface or a "sharp corner." The strike to her head caused significant pain. Although
alleged that she went to the hospital solely because of her head injury PO Zahroof's
BWC footage (Board Review 10, beginning at 26:50) shows that \$87(2)(6) actually first
requested medical treatment because she could not breathe, following several minutes of her
yelling at the officers that they had planted drugs in her bag.
BWC footage from PO Zahroof (Board Review 11) depicts \$87(2)(6) alleging to an
EMT in the ambulance, "[PO Zahroof] was punching me in my head, and he was kicking me in
the stomach. Those are my injuries." \$87(2)(b) later spoke directly to PO Zahroof's BWC and
said, "He planted something in my bag and was punching me in my head." § 87(2)(b) later
reported to staff at the hospital that PO Zahroof had punched her in the head, and she claimed to
have lost consciousness as a result.
PO Zahroof's BWC footage (Board Review 10), beginning at 16:52, shows
exiting the back seat of PO Zahroof's car, unassisted, face forward, without any
physical contact from any officer. PO Zahroof does not hit, strike, kick, or otherwise touch
as she exits the vehicle and walks calmly inside the stationhouse.
PO Zahroof (Board Review 41) denied hitting § 87(2)(b) on the head at any point,
denied that she hit her head getting out of the car, and denied seeing any objects hit her head as
she did so.
§ 87(2)(g)
Allegation F—Abuse of Authority: On August 2, 2019, at the 122 nd Precinct stationhouse,
Sergeant Lara Cadogan threatened 887(2)(b) with the use of force.
BWC footage from Sgt. Paulik (Board Review 23, between 00:30 and 01:30) and Sgt.
Cadogan (Board Review 22 , beginning at 01:15) depicts Sgt. Cadogan pointing the laser sight of
her Taser at §87(2)(b) while he is yelling angrily inside a multi-prisoner holding cell.
§ 87(2)(g)

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- Sgt. Cadogan has been a member of service for eight years. This is the first and only CCRB complaint in which she has been named a subject.
- PO Velez has been a member of service for seven years and has been named a subject in six other CCRB complaints and 11 other allegations, none of which was substantiated. §87(2)(9)

Mediation, Civil and Criminal Histories

- This case was not suitable for mediation.
- As of April 22, 2020, the NYC Office of the Comptroller has no record of any Notice of Claim filed regarding this incident (**Board Review 47**).

[§ 87(2)(b)] [§§ 86(1)(3)&	(4)] [§ 87(2)(c)]		
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